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SECURITY INFORMATION

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REPORT

TOPIC Schoenefeld Airfield

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REMARKS

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1. Between 15 August and 23 September 1953, commercial aircraft landed at Schoenefeld airfield and according to schedule. During the second half of August, non-scheduled commercial aircraft [redacted] Hungarian and Bulgarian nationality [redacted] were observed at the field. During the first half of September, a Rumanian commercial aircraft was seen at the field. At 2 p.m. on 11 September, a Soviet commercial aircraft [redacted] landed and about 25 civilians disembarked. [redacted] the passengers were Soviet and German governmental officials.¹

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2. Construction work was under way at the field. [redacted] new roads were being built. Chippings and crushed stones continually arrived at the field as well as a carload of bitumen.²

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3. The following officers participated in conferences at the field: Senior Lieutenant Borizov (fnu), deputy of the previously reported Captain Ivanov (fnu); main bookkeeper Kalinsk (fnu), subordinate to Captain Ivanov, who also worked for Captain Demoniev (fnu) and who was assigned to a headquarters on Regatta Strasse in Gruenau; Captain Zajchuk (fnu), wearing a black uniform with black-bordered orange epaulets and black pipings on his cap, had not been shipped to Falkenberg together with the transport unit, as was previously reported; Captain Zatzepin (fnu), formerly reported under the name of Tsacepin, wearing black-bordered blue epaulets and propeller insignia; Major Repkin (fnu), chief of supply and maintenance section; Kanov (fnu), rank unknown, supply officer; Lieutenant Colonel Voladin (fnu) wearing blue-bordered silver epaulets. Voladin was transferred to Falkenberg.³

4. The following fuel shipments arrived at the field between 17 and 29 August:

Date in August	Number of Railroad Cars	From	To
17	2 each with about 15 tons	Velten	Zajchuk
19	1 with about 15 tons	Velten	Pavlov
26	3 with 39.9, 41.6 and 40 tons	Gaschwitz	Bitterfeld. Zajchuk. [redacted]

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Date in August	Number of Railroad Cars	From	To
28	3 with 96.5 tons [redacted] of unit at the airfield	Velten Dediev	Zatzepin
29	2 with 60.7 tons	Velten Dediev	Zajchuk

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5. Between 20 August and 7 September, the following aircraft were observed at the field: an average of 7 Li-2s and 3 biplanes on hardstand 35, 5 Li-2s on hardstand 36, and 7 Li-2s south of the buildings on the northwestern edge of the field; after 23 August, a twin-engine aircraft with double tail unit and tail wheel was also observed on the northwestern edge. There was also a Li-2 [redacted] which apparently flew to Leipzig several times daily. The military aircraft were observed flying on 26 August between 8 p.m. and 2 p.m.; on 2 September between 8 a.m. and noon and after 8 p.m.; on 5 September between 10 a.m. and 12:30 p.m.; and on 7 September after 8 p.m.¹

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6. [redacted]
[redacted]⁵

7. Two officer candidates and a sub-lieutenant of the transport unit wore parachute insignia. [redacted]

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8. On 4 September, 1 Li-2s, 4 biplanes, and 1 twin-engine aircraft with double rudder assembly and tail wheel were observed at the field. [redacted] the latter twice, were observed on Li-2s. Local individual flights were made by Li-2s. On 7 September, 19 Li-2s, 1 twin-engine aircraft, 2 biplanes and 2 high-wing monoplanes were parked at the field. A new temporary building, 15 x 8 meters, was being erected on the southern section of the field, east of the five temporary buildings, east of the fuel dump.¹

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9. Trucks [redacted] were seen at the field and trucks [redacted] entered and left the field.

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10. On 14 September, [redacted] Unit Malkov was quartered in the billeting buildings on the southern edge of the field and that the headquarters of this unit was housed in the annex to a hangar on the southern edge.⁶ A sizeable number of German craftsmen were employed for repair work on the billeting buildings and hangars on the southern edge of the field.

11. On 14 September, 1 Tu-2 aircraft, 4 Po-2s, and 18 Li-2s were parked in the northwestern section of the field.¹ At about 9 a.m., a large sedan [redacted] moved through the gate toward Gmianan. The sedan was not checked by the Soviet sentry.

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1. Comment. Schoenefeld airfield is occupied by a transport regiment. Commercial aircraft of Soviet, Polish and Czech airlines also land at the field. During the Leipzig Fair, commercial aircraft of other satellite countries were observed at the field.

2. Comment. Captain Ivanov is known to be the deputy of the supply chief at the field:

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3. Comment.

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Officers

Senior Lieutenant Borizov was previously carried in Staaken.

Captain Demeniev is in connection with Schoensfeld airfield with regard to supply affairs.

Captain Zajchuk, previously reported as Zeichuk, is the supply officer.

Captain Zatzepin, formerly reported as Tsacepin, is allegedly assigned to the civil administration and is charged with fuel affairs.

Lieutenant Colonel Voladin, previously reported as Volodin, is responsible for supply affairs. His transfer to Alt Loennowitz with the transport regiment indicates that he is assigned to this regiment.

Main bookkeeper Kalinsk and the officers Repkin and Kanow are reported for the first time.

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4. Comment.

[redacted] Pavlov, who was previously reported as consignee of fuel shipments to Staaken, probably belongs to the OATE of the transport regiment, [redacted], which was formerly stationed in Staaken and now is in Schoensfeld.

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Comment. Senior Lieutenant Malkov is known to be the auditor of the transport regiment Staaken which transferred to Schoensfeld.

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